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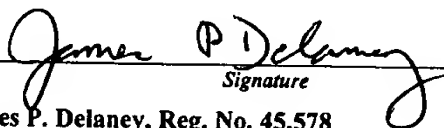
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This is in response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2002. The application is amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 11-25. Add new claims 26-45 as follows:

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26. A method of printing on a thermoplastic material comprising the steps of:
- electrographically printing a toner consisting of a coloring agent and thermoplastic toner particles onto the thermoplastic material;
 - bringing the thermoplastic material into a material reactive state; and
 - hardening the thermoplastic material thereby establishing a bond between the toner and the thermoplastic material.

27. The method of claim 26 wherein only a surface portion of the thermoplastic material is brought into the material reactive state.